



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Ghayur, et al.

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INTERLEUKIN-18 AND METHODS
OF MAKING AND USING

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

Sir/Madam:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated 16 December 2002. This paper is being filed with a Notice of Appeal, a petition for a 1-month extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a), and authorization to charge the appropriate fees to a deposit account, making the new response deadline 16 April 2003.

Please amend the above-captioned application as indicated below:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 39-43 and 47-60.

Please amend claim 22, under the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.121(c)(1)(i) so that it appear as follows:

22. (Amended) An isolated human antibody, or an antigen-binding portion thereof, comprising at least one variable region capable of binding an epitope of human IL-18.

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